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- (1) Designate to the Treasury Department certifying officers and designated agents for the Office of the Secretary and imprest fund cashiers for the Departmental Headquarters.
- (2) Certify to the validity of obligations as required by 31 U.S.C. 200 and to the adequacy of bond coverage for the designations under section 160(c)(2).
- (3) Sign reports on Budget Execution as required by OMB Circular A-34 (Revised).
- (4) Review and approve for payment any voucher for \$25 or less the authority for payment of which is questioned by a certifying or disbursing officer.
- (5) Process essential air service payments.
- (6) Approve claims of WCF employees allowable under 31 U.S.C. 3721 for amounts of \$500 or less.

§1.39 Executive Secretariat.

The Executive Secretariat provides organized staff services to the Secretary and Deputy Secretary to assist them in carrying out their management functions and their responsibilities for formulating, coordinating and communicating major policy decisions. The Office controls and coordinates internal and external material directed to the Secretary and Deputy Secretary and ensures that their decisions and instructions are implemented.

§ 1.40 Departmental Office of Civil Rights.

The Departmental Office of Civil Rights serves as the Department's Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Officer and Title VI Coordinator. The Director also serves as principal advisor to the Secretary and the Deputy Secretary on the civil rights and nondiscrimination statutes, regulations, and Executive Orders applicable to the Department, including titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, as amended, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the Equal Pay Act of 1963, the ADA Amendments Act of 2008, and the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008. The Departmental Office of Civil

Rights provides guidance to the Operating Administrations and Secretarial officers on these matters. The Office periodically reviews and evaluates the civil rights programs of the Operating Administrations to ensure that recipients of financial assistance meet applicable Federal civil rights requirements

§ 1.41 Delegations to the Director of the Departmental Office of Civil Rights.

The Director of the Departmental Office of Civil Rights is delegated authority to conduct all stages of the formal employment discrimination complaints process (including acceptance/dismissal, investigation, and final adjudication); to provide guidance to the Operating Administrations and Secretarial officers concerning the implementation and enforcement of all civil rights laws, regulations and Executive Orders for which the Department is responsible; to otherwise perform activities to ensure compliance with external civil rights programs; and to review and evaluate the Operating Administrations' enforcement of these authorities. These authorities include:

- (a) Title VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq. and 2000e et seq.
- (b) Sections 501 and 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. 791 and 794–794a.
- (c) Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, 29 U.S.C. 621 et seq.
- (d) Age Discrimination Act of 1975, 42 U.S.C. $6101\ et\ seq.$
- (e) Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. 12101–121213.
- (g) Genetic Information Non-discrimination Act of 2008, 42 U.S.C. 2000ff $et\ seg.$
- (h) Equal Pay Act of 1963, 29 U.S.C. 206(d).
- (i) Alcohol, Drug Abuse, and Mental Health Administration Reorganization Act (Pub. L. 102–321)
- (j) Chapter XIV of Subtitle B, of Title 29 of the CFR (Equal Employment Opportunity Commission Regulations).
- (k) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (Pub. L. 90–284) [42 U.S.C. 3601 et seq].

- (1) 40 U.S.C. 476 (prohibition on sex discrimination).
- (m) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, 20 U.S.C. 1681.
- (n) In coordination with the Assistant Secretary for Transportation Policy, Executive Order No. 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations (See also E.O. 12948).
- (o) 49 U.S.C. 306 (prohibition on discrimination in programs receiving financial assistance), 5310 (transportation for elderly persons and persons with disabilities), 5332 (nondiscrimination in mass transportation), 41705 (discrimination by air carriers against handicapped persons), 47113 (minority and disadvantaged business participation), and 47123 (nondiscrimination in airport improvement programs).
- (p) 23 U.S.C. 140, 324, and 402(b)(1)(D) (nondiscrimination in highway programs).
- (q) The Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991, Public Law 102–240, 105 Stat. 1919, section 1003.

§ 1.42 Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization.

The Director of the Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization ensures that the Department's small and disadvantaged business policies and programs are developed in a fair, efficient, and effective manner. The Office is responsible for the Department's implementation and execution of the functions and duties under the Small Business Act, and providing opportunities, technical assistance, and financial services to the small and disadvantaged business community.

§ 1.43 Delegations to the Director of the Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization.

The Director of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization is delegated authority to:

(a) Exercise departmental responsibility for the implementation and execution of functions and duties under sections 2[8] and 2[15] of the Small Business Act (Public Law 85–836) [15 U.S.C. 637 and 644].

(b) Carry out the functions vested in the Secretary by 49 U.S.C. 332 (Minority Resource Center).

§ 1.44 Office of Intelligence, Security and Emergency Response.

The Director of the Office of Intelligence, Security and Emergency Response is responsible for the development, coordination, and execution of plans and procedures for the Department to balance transportation security requirements with the safety, mobility and economic needs of the Nation through effective intelligence, security, preparedness and emergency response programs. The Director is the Department's principal Emergency Coordinator for the implementation of these programs.

§ 1.45 Delegations to the Director of the Office of Intelligence, Security and Emergency Response.

The Director of Intelligence, Security, and Emergency Response is delegated authority to:

(a) Carry out the functions related to emergency preparedness and response vested in the Secretary by the following authorities: 49 U.S.C. 101 and 301: the Defense Production Act of 1950. 50 U.S.C. App. 2061 et seq., as such authorities are delegated to the Department under Executive Order 13603. National Defense Resource Preparedness; Executive Order 12148, as amended. Federal Emergency Management; Executive Order 12656, Assignment of Emergency Preparedness Responsibilities (as amended; see E.O. 13286); Executive Order 12742, National Security Industrial Responsiveness; Executive Order 13434, National Security Professional Development; Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1978; and such other statutes, executive orders, and other directives as may pertain to emergency preparedness and response.

(b) Serve as the Department's Continuity Coordinator in accordance with National Security Presidential Directive 51/Homeland Security Presidential Directive 20, National Continuity Policy, and Federal Continuity Directives (FCD) 1 Federal Executive Branch National Continuity Program and Requirements and FCD 2 Federal Executive Branch Mission Essential Function and